16 Bit SCSI Host Adapter (250-4161) Versions

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There are currently 4 different versions of the 250-4161 board. They are the 250-4161, 250-4161A, 250-4161B, and the 250-4161C. The way to tell them apart is as follows.

250-4161: This was the first board Tandy sold. This board will run in asynchronous mode only (J1, pin pair 1 must be off. The large surface mount IC at position U20 will be marked as AIC-6250.

250-4161A: This was the second version Tandy sold. It looks essentially identical to the 250-4161 except that (1) J1, pin pair 1 is jumpered, which means it can run in synchronous mode; and (2) the large surface mount IC at position U20 is marked AIC-6250DL.



Figure 1. 250-4161 and 250-4161A

25-4161B: This is the third version of the board. It is quite different from the 250-4161 and 250-4161A. Most IC's are surface mounted, the jumpers are different and there is an external connector on the back of the board. This board, like the 250-4161A, is capable of synchronous mode and is jumpered as such.





Figure 2. 250-4161B

25-4161C: This is the fourth version of the board. It is completely different from the other three, being shorter, having an external connector, and being capable of synchronous mode.



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